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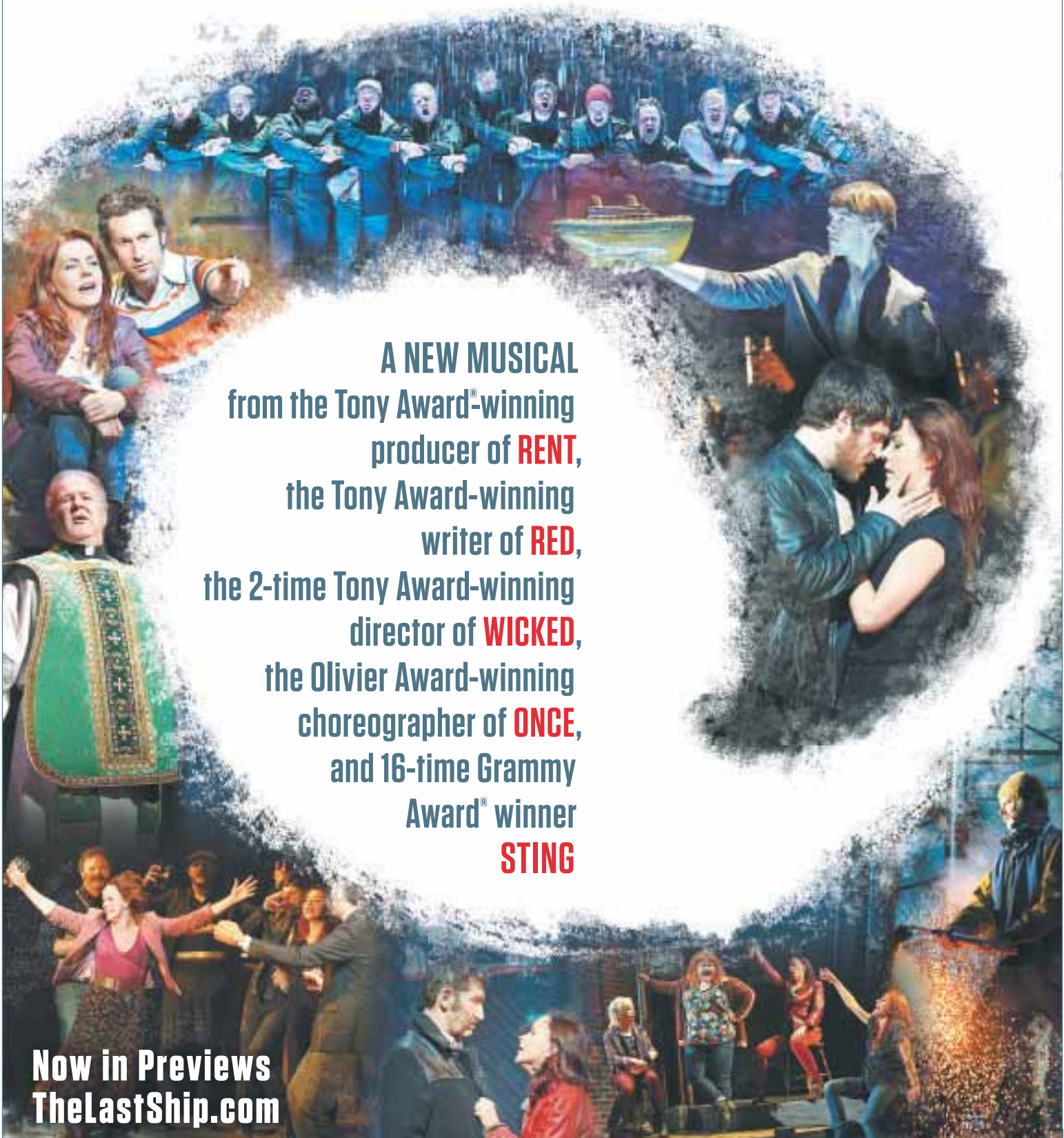
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Eric Garner grand jury hears case evidence

Crime. A grand jury met in Staten Island on Monday for the first time to decide whether criminal charges will be filed against a police officer in the chokehold death of Eric Garner. The Garner case galvanized New York City, leading to protests and causing the NYPD to retrain all of its officers on the proper use of force. PAGE 02

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Grand jury begins to hear evidence in Garner case

Staten Island. The jury will determine whether anyone should be criminally charged in the chokehold death.

A grand jury began hearing evidence Monday relating to the death of Eric Garner while in police custody in July.

Garner, 43, of Staten Island, died after being put in a chokehold by NYPD Officer Daniel Panteleo. The Staten Island man, suspected of selling loose cigarettes, was taken to the ground using the maneuver, and a bystander captured the incident on video. Garner can be heard saying, "I can't breathe" be-



Eric Garner's death kicked off a series of marches in the city. / GETTY IMAGES

Sad and tragic event

"We are confident that, if the evidence is fairly presented to the grand jury, they will conclude that, while this was a sad and tragic event resulting from Mr. Garner's resistance to arrest, the officers acted properly and within the scope of the law"

Patrolmen's Benevolent Association President Patrick Lynch

fore he stopped moving.

The medical examiner ruled Garner's death a homicide by chokehold, and that his asthma and obesity contributed to his death.

The grand jury will determine whether anyone should be criminally charged in Garner's death. It is expected to take several weeks before the jury comes to a decision.

Staten Island District

Attorney Daniel Donovan said last month he intended to impanel a jury to review evidence and decide if criminal charges are warranted. He declined at the time to discuss potential charges, citing the secrecy of grand jury proceedings under the state's penal law.

Garner's death prompted an internal review at the NYPD, and earlier this month Police Commissioner Bill Bratton said all 35,000 officers will participate in retraining.

A report by the Civilian Complaint Review Board, expected to be released this week and leaked by the New York Post, says only 10 out of 1,100 chokehold complaints were proven, and only the most serious pursued by prosecution.



WENDY JOAN BIDDLECOMBE
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Mayor announces solar roof plan for schools

Mayor Bill de Blasio announced the planned installation of 24 new solar panels at city schools on Monday morning.

The panels, a \$28 million investment, are expected to triple the amount of solar energy on city buildings.

"We'll install solar panels on 24 newly roofed schools. It's an ambitious project, but it's a necessary one," said de Blasio, speaking outside the John F. Kennedy Educational Campus in the Bronx, which is one of nine schools that already have solar



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panels. NYC Department of Citywide Administrative Services' Commissioner Stacy Cumberbatch said the additional 24 solar panels will be installed by 2016 at schools yet to be

determined across the five boroughs.

The solar panels are part of the mayor's plan, announced last week, aimed at reducing the city's greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. "One City, Built to Last" will upgrade about 3,000 city buildings with high energy use over the next 10 years, and provides incentives for privately owned buildings to reduce carbon emissions.

The city contributed \$23 million to the project, and an additional \$5 million in grants came from



The solar panels are expected to be installed by 2016. / GETTY IMAGES

the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority.

The amount of energy that will be saved by the

panels is equivalent to taking 600 cars off the road, according to the mayor's office.

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Brooklyn

Late-night changes come to the R train

The MTA announced the return of the Fastrack program this week to help with repairs on the Fourth Avenue R line in Bay Ridge.

Subway service will be suspended for construction between 95th Street and 36th Street on weeknights through early Friday morning.

As an alternative, riders can take D and N trains and shuttle buses.

Additionally, R train service operates between Forest Hills-71 Avenue and Brooklyn's 36th Street until 11:45 p.m. **METRO**

Bronx

Police looking for stabbing suspect

Police are looking for a suspect they believe is responsible for stabbing a teenager to death on Sunday.

Justin Fallu, 14, died Sunday after he was stabbed in the chest at a



The suspect / NYPD

house party at 2194 Barnes Ave. in the Bronx.

Three other victims, two aged 18 and one 17, were stabbed. They all survived.

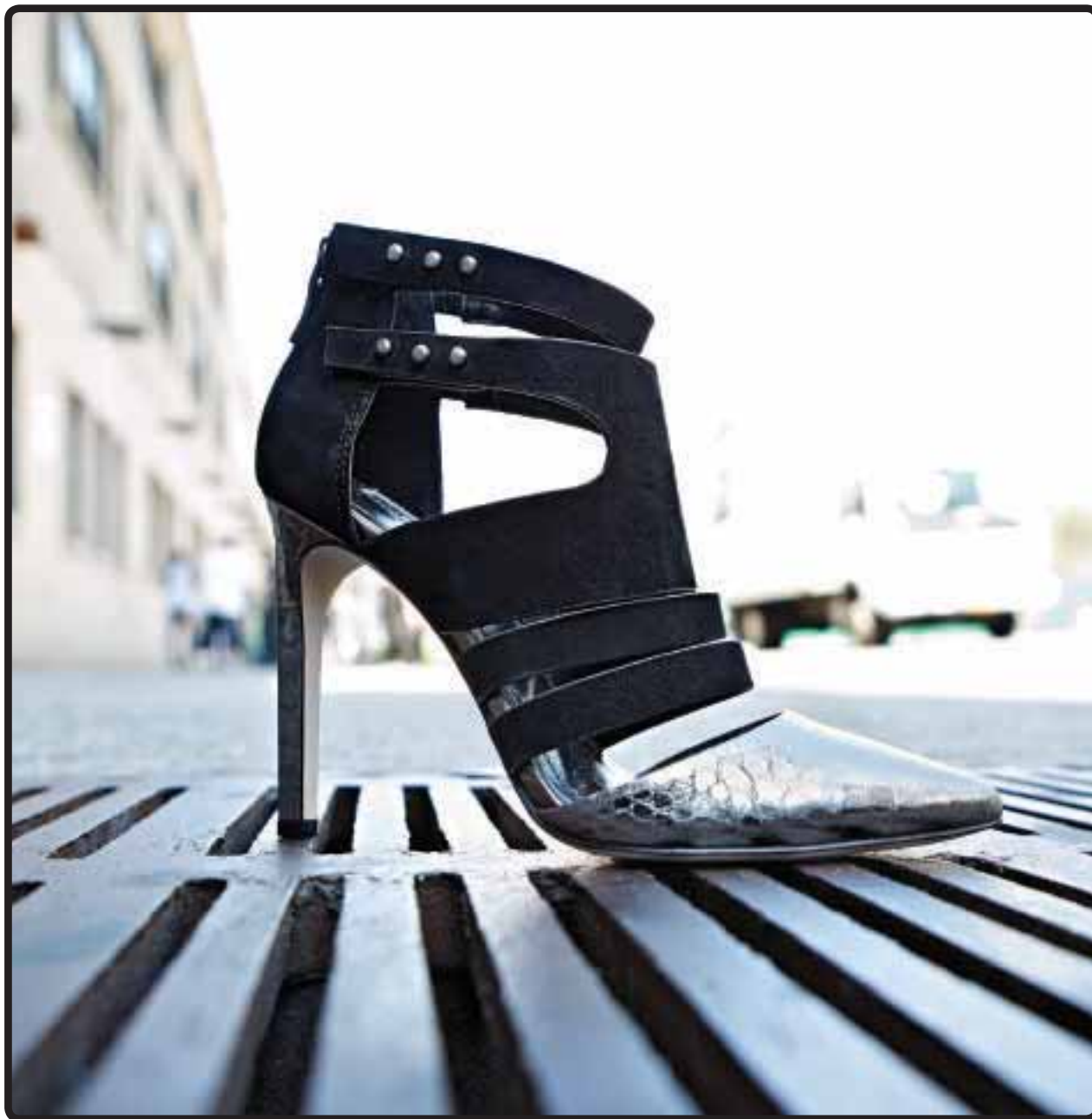
The NYPD says the Bronx stabbing suspect is a black male, late teens, who goes by the nickname "Shaq."

Anyone with information is asked to call (800) 577-TIPS (8477). **METRO**



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Man hit, killed by the F train

A man was hit and killed by an F train on Monday morning at the 4th Avenue and Ninth Street station in Brooklyn.

The man, who has not yet been identified by authorities, was hit by an oncoming southbound train, said MTA spokesman Kevin Ortiz.



F train / MTA

The FDNY received the call at 9:19 a.m. and responded one minute later, according to an FDNY spokeswoman. Members of the FDNY found the rider dead on the scene.

No further details were available on Monday evening.

A police department spokesman said that the man had not been

identified, nor the reason how he ended up in the tracks.

Train service was suspended between Jay and Church Streets for about an hour after the incident, Ortiz said.

Southbound service was fully restored around 11:30 a.m., and trains were running normally shortly after that.

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The six ads are being rolled out across the subway and bus system. / CATHARINA THUMLING, METRO

Foley photo is taken off anti-Islamic NYC bus ads

Manhattan.

Geller had the ad changed out of "compassion" for the Foley family.

mela Geller, whose group is sponsoring the ads.

"The use of Mr. Foley's photo in your advertisement will cause profound distress to the Foley family," family lawyer J. Patrick Rowan said in a letter to Geller.

Geller writes a blog criticizing Islam. Her group, American Freedom Defense Initiative, paid for a six-ad series scheduled to run for a month on buses and the subway.

"Having lived in and reported from communities in which nearly everyone was of Muslim faith, he had great respect for the religion and those who practiced it," the Foley family lawyer wrote, referring to the journalist.

Geller's lawyer said the image will be replaced out of "compassion for the family's pain and anguish." REUTERS

A photo of American journalist James Foley shortly before his beheading by the Islamic State militant group, also known as ISIS, was removed from anti-Islam advertisements appearing on Monday on 100 New York City buses and two subway stations.

In response to a complaint from the Foley family, the advertisement is being altered to include an unidentifiable severed head held by the masked militant seen wielding a knife in the video of Foley's beheading, said David Yerushalmi, lawyer for Pa-

Ads hit the street

The six ads, including one showing Foley in the video of his beheading released in August, suggest that Islam is inherently violent and extremist, and call for the end of American aid to Islamic countries.

- James Foley, 40, was kidnapped by armed men in Syria in 2012.
- Geller was behind a similar ad campaign in 2012 on the city's subway system.

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Bridges to be replaced over New Haven line

An agreement to replace century-old bridges over Metro-North's New Haven Line means newer infrastructure for travel, Governor Andrew Cuomo announced on Monday. The Metro-North Railroad and City of Mount



The New Haven line / MTA

Vernon are working to replace the bridges located at Tenth Avenue, Sixth Avenue and North 14th Avenue. The cost of the project is \$10 million, the bulk being provided by MTA Capital Program.

"Our administration has made it a top priority to rebuild our infrastructure, and by replacing these century-old bridges, we are taking an important step

toward preserving and improving a vital part of our transportation system and providing peace of mind to the motorists who depend on it," Governor Andrew Cuomo said on Monday.

The bridges were built in the 1890's and are so aged that the Tenth Avenue bridge currently stands closed to traffic and will be the first to be replaced.

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New York. City to end solitary confinement for teens at Rikers jail

New York City plans to end the use of solitary confinement to punish teenage inmates at the troubled Rikers Island jail complex by the end of the year, according to a Department of Correction memorandum.

The policy shift comes less than two months after the U.S. Department of Justice said its investigators had found a pattern of abuse of 16- and 17-year-old inmates that breached their constitutional rights.

Mayor Bill de Blasio, who took office in January, has promised reform and blamed his predecessors for what he calls the "broken" situation at Rikers, one of the world's largest jail complexes, holding some 14,000 prisoners on an average day.

The three-page memo by Joseph Ponte, the city's new corrections commissioner, is addressed to de Blasio and says the correction department is "committed to eliminating punitive segregation for adolescent inmates by the end of the year."

Instead, Ponte wrote,

Plans for change

Ponte's memo says he has increased the number of guards and staff at the adolescent jails.

- He is also changing staff training to reflect the view that teenagers are "developmentally different from adults."
- The department is also doing more to help teenage inmates and their relatives outside the jail stay in contact.

the department will look at "alternative options, intermediate consequences for misbehavior, and steps designed to pre-empt incidents from occurring." He did not provide further details.

The existence of the memo, which is dated Sept. 25, was first reported by The New York Times on Sunday. The Department of Correction provided a copy to Reuters on Monday, but declined to comment on it. **REUTERS**

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You're an insurance broker during the day. Is



Christopher Fletcher / PROVIDED

it hard to leave on time to get to your second job?

No. The people at my nine-to-five job are very supportive, which is great.

It sounds like an idyllic way to end the work day.

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The man who breached security at the White House this month overpowered a U.S. Secret Service officer and ran through much of the main floor, penetrating farther into the building than previously disclosed, the Washington Post reported on Monday, citing three people familiar with the incident.

A Secret Service official who spoke on condition of anonymity said an alarm box near the front entrance of the White House had been muted, the Post said.

"The Secret Service has no comment on that at this



A member of the Secret Service's countersniper team looks out from the roof of the North Portico of the White House. / GETTY IMAGES

time due to the ongoing investigation," Brian Leary, a spokesman for the agency, said of the Post story. A White House spokesman declined comment.

The suspect, Omar Gonzalez, 42, was charged with unlawfully entering a restricted building or grounds while carrying a deadly or dangerous weapon.

A prosecutor said in court last week that officers found more than 800 rounds of ammunition, two hatchets and a machete in Gonzalez's car.

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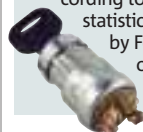
Auto industry

Number of deaths linked to GM ignition defect rises

The number of deaths linked to a faulty ignition switch in General Motors cars rose by two last week to 23, according to a report Monday from the lawyer overseeing a program set up to compensate accident victims.

Since Aug. 1, 867 claims for compensation for serious injuries or deaths said to have been caused by the switch had been received by the program, which is being overseen by lawyer Kenneth Feinberg. That is up from 850 last week.

As of Friday, 23 death claims had been deemed eligible, as well as 16 claims for serious physical injuries, according to updated statistics provided by Feinberg's office.



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High court to consider gay marriage cases

Supreme Court.

The justices' decision could come this week or later this year.



Gay marriage / GETTY IMAGES

The nine justices of the U.S. Supreme Court met behind closed doors on Monday to consider whether they should take up the hotly contested question of whether states can ban gay marriage.

The court has seven cases pending before it concerning bans in five states: Virginia, Utah, Oklahoma, Wisconsin and Indiana. If the court agrees to take one or more of the cases it has the chance to rule when, if ever, gay men and women in the 31 states that now bar them from marrying could get marriage licenses.

An announcement on whether the court will hear the same-sex marriage dispute could come later this week. But given the weight of the controversy and that the justices only in recent weeks received the petitions, an announcement could come at a later point. The court officially reconvenes next Monday for its new term, which runs until the end of June.

The justices are due to discuss the cases as they weigh hundreds of petitions that have piled up during the court's summer recess. The discussion is private. **REUTERS**

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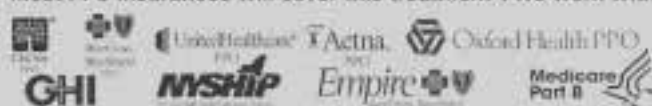


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Oklahoma. Beheading suspect expected to be charged with murder

Oklahoma plans to file a murder charge as early as Monday against Alton Nolen, who is suspected of beheading a former co-worker at a food distribution center last week, officials said.

The FBI is also looking into Nolen's background for any potential religious ties to the attack after former colleagues said he had attempted to convert them to Islam. Police said Nolen had recently become a Muslim.

Nolen, 30, is suspected of attacking two women shortly after being fired on Thursday at Vaughan Foods in Moore, a suburb of Oklahoma City, police said.

Police said he stabbed and then severed the head of 54-year-old Colleen Hufford and attacked 43-year-old Traci Johnson before being shot by Mark Vaughan, the company's chief operating officer who



Alton Nolen
LOGAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Quoted

"I want to apologize to both families, because this is not Alton."

Joyce Nolen, Alton's mother said in a Facebook posting

is also a sheriff's deputy.

Johnson is expected to recover, police said.

Nolen underwent surgery at a local hospital after being shot and was expected to survive, Moore police said. **REUTERS**

Wildfires

Arsonist suspected in up to 23 blazes out West

A suspected arsonist operating in Washington state is believed to have ignited nearly two dozen fires in three weeks, destroying two homes and burning parched grassland amid a destructive wildfire season, officials said on Monday.

The 23 fires set since Sept. 9 outside Spokane, Washington's second-largest city, have been mostly confined to the same area of south Spokane County, home to more than 20,000 people in eastern Washington, authorities said.

"We are pretty convinced it's the same person setting these fires," said Assistant Fire Chief Greg Godfrey of Spokane County Fire District 8. "There's a very distinct pattern."

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College

'Freshman 15' may be oversold

College students may not gain the much-dreaded "freshman 15" but they do gain weight during their years in school, according to a fresh look at some past research.

Young adults gained an average of about 3.5 pounds over their college careers with a relatively small gain during the first year, researchers found.

"Everyone puts so much emphasis on first year of college," said Michael Fedewa, the study's lead author from the University of Georgia in Athens.

"But what we found from this study was the change in weight and body fat during the first year continues on, and so we think that change in weight and fat is related to time more than anything else," he said in a phone call.

REUTERS

OMG! Jesus Crust: Seeing famous faces on a piece of your toast is 'completely normal'

Do you see faces in your food? Then you have been gifted with pareidolia, the psychological ability to see the image of famous people on the surface of inanimate objects. One award-winning study, honored at the Ig Nobel ceremony earlier this month, reveals that it's completely normal to see a famous face like Jesus Christ on a slice of toast, even if you're an atheist. Metro spoke to Kang Lee, professor of Applied Psychology and Human Development at the University of Toronto, and lead author of the "Seeing Jesus on Toast" report, to find out more about seeing famous faces on toast.

What inspired you to do this study? Boredom?

We actually were interested in how our beliefs and expectations, originating from the front part of our brain, affect our perception of faces, which is the function of the back part of our brain. We used the "Seeing Jesus on Toast" phenomenon

to answer our scientific question.

So what did you find?

We discovered that it's completely normal for people to see nonexistent faces in everyday objects and indeed the frontal part of our brain affects how we see faces.

Why do people see Jesus on toast?

Our visual system is not like a camera that simply takes the information from the outside world. Rather, our beliefs have a powerful influence in what we see. So seeing Jesus on toast reflects the significant role that faith has in vision.

Have you ever seen the face of Jesus on a piece of toast?



KANG LEE / LISA SAKULENSKY



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What other things can one see on a piece of toast?

You can see all sorts of faces. And not only in toast, in many everyday objects.

Are you planning to do other research related to Jesus or toast?

Yes. We are going to work to examine if somebody with a snake phobia will be more likely to see nonexistent snakes in everyday objects. DMITRY BELYAEV, MWN

Yes! And you can find lots of them on the Internet. And I'm not religious at all — I'm agnostic.

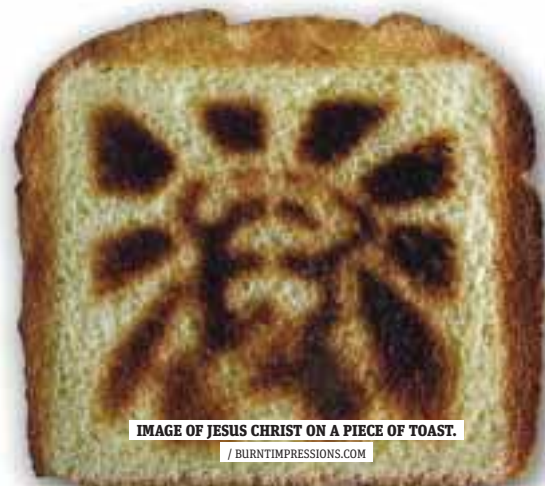


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Signs the bull market could end soon

I've made millions in the stock market being both bullish and bearish, but as the longevity of this most recent bull market continues, it's difficult not to acknowledge signs that this bull market will end sooner rather than later.

No. 1: This bull market is long

We've been in this bull market for nearly double the amount of time as a normal bull market — and while it's not the longest ever, the longer it goes on, the higher the odds are that it will come to an end soon.

I held onto my first million during the 1999-2000 bubble by being cautious, unlike just about everyone else. Far too many people think they're geniuses only because of this bull market. That's dangerous, and as veterans know the stock market makes a habit out of humbling those whose egos have grown too much.

No. 2: 'Tis the season

Most of the stock market crashes in the past have happened toward late September and during the month of October, so be prepared in case history repeats itself. Historically, the

My New York Giants are looking better. No 0-6 start this year. Go Big Blue!

Michigan football coach Brady Hoke should be fired ASAP for his terrible performance. But now, much worse, he left an injured quarterback in the game. Not acceptable.



best performing months are November through May. It sounds crazy, but during my 15 years in the stock market, I've definitely learned to respect this seasonality.

The good news is crashes rarely happen out of the blue — terrorism aside — so there's usually a few days or even weeks of gradual market fading leading up to big crashes. Just be on the lookout.

No. 3: Investors aren't scared

Despite market veterans like me calling for conservatism, most traders and investors

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forget the lessons of the past. With every new bull market, they get far too aggressive, comfortable and leveraged. The risks they take pay off during long bull markets like this, which only reinforces the wrong lessons — something they don't realize it until too late.

Take it from me, the stock market is a great place to grow your savings and possibly even get rich. But those who earn too much too fast without regard to safety get burned badly when history repeats itself time and again.

What he's into this week

The NFL is now in full safety mode as a result of the Ray Rice controversy. Good — in the future these animals will be punished more.



Even rival teams showed Derek Jeter the respect he's earned over the past two decades. Good sportsmanship.



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Today, Kelly Clarkson admits she has a problem, Katy Perry is quite suggestible and Patton Oswalt is feeling righteous.

@kelly_clarkson Having a hard time falling asleep. Can't stop watching my baby girl sleep. I'm addicted to her.

@katyperry Does anyone else adopt the mood of the movie they see when they leave the theater... For like a solid two hours?!

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RPatz may soon no longer be an expat

Great job, Los Angeles. You went and scared off another actor. "Twilight" star Robert Pattinson is apparently checking prices on last-minute flights to London. "I think I might be done with Los Angeles. I've just realized that in the past few weeks," Pattinson tells The Independent's Radar magazine — though he might just be trying to butter up a British outlet. "I think I need to spend more time in London or just move around a bit more. I've been in LA for six or seven years or something, and it's weird. The more you stay there, especially as an actor, the more you think you need to be there, that you'll be missing out on something



We imagine Pattinson having his "Um, yeah, this is kinda why I have to get out of here" revelation when this photo was snapped a few weeks ago. / GETTY IMAGES

by leaving, but you are not, really." You see, LA? You need to stop scaring

off all the sensitive British boys, or the U.K. will start sending back the celebri-

ties it agreed to take off our hands. (Speaking of, see item No. 2!)

Lindsay Lohan answers the critics in London

Lindsay Lohan is countering critics of her West End debut, "Speed-the-Plow," with a point that's really hard to refute: It could've been much worse. While some have focused on flubbed lines and uninvited audience

laughter during her first week of previews, "It could've been a disaster — but it wasn't by far," Lohan tells the Daily Mirror.

"I could've not shown up. But of course I did, it's my show. I'm doing

the best I can and will for the duration," she says.

If you say so! The best part? It's a device you can employ the next time your boss is disappointed in your performance. You could've not shown up!

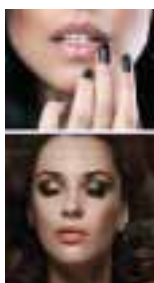


Lindsay says, "I could've not shown up." True indeed! / GETTY IMAGES

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Brad Pitt says, 'Happiness is overrated'

It's coming up on Oscar season, and Brad Pitt has a big World War II drama, "Fury," coming out that he hopes folks will see. So naturally, that means it's time to talk to GQ about his personal life, including his recent marriage to Angelina Jolie. "I wouldn't say [marriage] is just a title. There's more to it than that," he says. Yes, but is he happy? "I've always believed happiness is overrated, you know? It's those difficult times that inform the next wonderful time, and it's a series of trade-offs, of events, of wins and losses."



Sparrow and Depp / GETTY IMAGES

Ahoy, another 'Pirates' movie sets sail

The fifth film in the "Pirates of the Caribbean" franchise is getting under way Down Under, with preproduction starting this week on Australia's Gold Coast, according to the Daily Mail Australia. Actual filming, though, won't get underway until February 2015.

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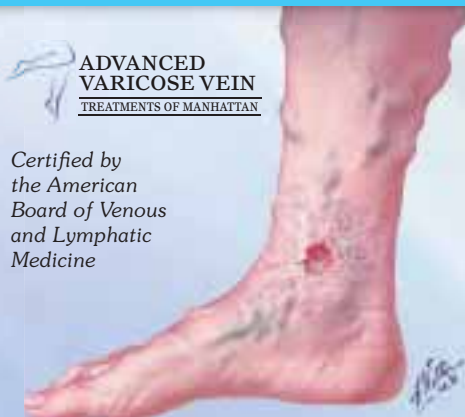
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DOES LENA DUNHAM HAVE ANY SECRETS LEFT?

Lena Dunham tells us what she's "learned" in her new book. / AUTUMN DE WILDE

Out Tuesday. Peek inside the new book by the "Girls" creator to see if it's worth the read.

We're used to Lena Dunham baring it all. In interviews, on Twitter or on "Girls," nothing seems to be too private for the 28-year-old to reveal. She hasn't been "famous" for very long, but so much has been said about her that it's difficult to imagine anything new emerging. Well, think again.

"Not That Kind of Girl: A Young Woman Tells You What She's 'Learned'" is Lena Dunham's new book of personal essays, and it's surprisingly, well, full of surprises. She addresses all the topics you not only expect but want her to (sex, getting naked on camera, friendship, body image and work) but in a way she hasn't talked about in such length before. Here, we pull some of our favorite words of wisdom and revelations.

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On dating jerks

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What nude scenes are really like to film

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Why she tried veganism

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On growing up

"I thought I would marry my boyfriend and grow old and sick of him. I thought I would keep my friends, and we'd make different, new memories. None of that happened. Better things happened. Then why am

I so sad?"

How she feels about having kids

"It's time to get started now. And why not? I wonder. I have a job. I am in love. We have an extra bedroom that we are currently using for shoes, boxes and occasional guests. I am told my dog is unusually good with children. I already look f—ing pregnant. ... But I resent them. They're constancy, their intrusion on my relationship and free time and my naps and my imagination and my heart. They've come too soon, and I can't do any of what I had planned. All I can do is survive."



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On the boyfriend

Man of mystery

Dunham only mentions her boyfriend Jack Antonoff — Fun's lead guitarist — in her book twice. The first is when she tells him about a traumatic sexual experience from her

past. His response is both endearingly sweet and too graphic to print here. The other is when she mentions that they've envisioned having kids together. And that's it for Antonoff.

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Antoine Fuqua could kill you with a butter knife

Interview.

The director of "The Equalizer" knows how to hurt you (but he won't).



"TRAINING DAY" DIRECTOR
ANTOINE FUQUA REUNITED
WITH DENZEL WASHINGTON
FOR "THE EQUALIZER."
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It's amazing what you can get done with the right tools. In "The Equalizer," Denzel Washington takes on a team of Russian mobsters inside a Home Depot-like store using only what's available on the shelves. So when he was designing the climactic battle, director Antoine Fuqua learned quite a bit about what makes a handy weapon.

"Now in my brain, everything's a weapon. You can do some interesting things if you think of it

that way," Fuqua tells us. "I went through the store with some stunt guys and a friend of mine who is a special individual, let's say, who knows how to do these things."

When it comes to a topic like this, there's nothing better than a hands-on demonstration, which Fuqua happily provides using a butter knife lying around the hotel suite where we meet. "Guys who know how to do this just puncture you to death, you'll be bleeding on the inside and you don't even know it," he says.

To drive the point home, he pretends to jab us several times with the butt of the knife.

"Cut off the blade and you've still got a weapon. It doesn't make a difference; if somebody knows how to do it, they know how to do it," he says. "They're going to use your festival badge lanyard and choke you with it. 'You got a gun? Oh, nice. I've got a butter knife and a corkscrew.'"



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Antoine Fuqua, left, confers with Denzel Washington on the set of "The Equalizer." / SCOTT GARFIELD

A little close to Home Depot

On trying to work with the brand

In "The Equalizer," Denzel Washington's character is retired from special ops and now works at a massive hardware store (it looks like Home Depot, but in the film it's called Home Mart). So did Fuqua and company try to get the real deal involved?

"I'm sure they did [reach out to Home Depot], I'm sure the producers did. I'm not a part of that," Fuqua says. "I'm sure they did, but I knew Home Depot wouldn't. They should have, though. It would've been cool for them, but there's other stockholders

involved probably who said, 'Hell no!'"

Fuqua sees Home Depot's slogan, "Let's build something," as a missed opportunity. By tying in with "The Equalizer," they could be using "Let's blow some s— up!" instead, he points out.

News in brief

The third 'Avengers' may be the latest to be split up (or not)

First it was the final "Harry Potter," then it was the final "Twilight" and "The Hunger Games" — could the third of "The Avengers" series be the next franchise member to be split in two? The trend of cutting productions in half — in order to tell more story and, of course, make more money —

may or may not wind up befalling Marvel's largest behemoth, which is tentatively slated for a 2018 release.

This might be just another case of wild Internet speculation; as Badass Digest has pointed out, a third part in two parts would mean redrafting contracts for the likes of Robert Downey Jr. and Chris Evans. But even their salaries are peanuts compared to what another "Avengers" could make. **MATT PRIGGE**

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It's purely for educational purposes: Soderbergh wants viewers to ignore the dialogue and focus entirely on the imagery. Chiefly, he wants you to think about the selection of shots: why each one is there, how they convey basic narrative information, how the cuts create a visual rhythm. In fact, not only has he made "Raiders" a silent film; he's

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made it black and white, just so it seems even more alien. (And, as he rightly notes himself, in black-and-white it looks a beaut.) Because Soderbergh chose one of the 10 or so most popular and watched films ever to make his point, there's even a chance that more than nerds may take note. And while you're on his site, buy his booze.

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Here's one of the two Jesse Eisenbergs (with Mia Wasikowska) in "The Double." / MAGNOLIA PICTURES

'The Double'

Speaking of visually stunning works, the second film by Richard Ayoade — best known as the afro'd Maurice Moss on "The IT Crowd" — is a grimy eyesore. Loosely based on the novel by Fyodor Dostoevsky, it depicts the grungy purgatory of a

shy clerk (Jesse Eisenberg) who suddenly finds himself working with a more charismatic, possibly evil doppelganger (also Eisenberg). Ayoade has obviously watched "Brazil" a lot, but its retro future is uniquely grungy, while Ayoade's camera delights in shifting at odd moments, just to throw us off.

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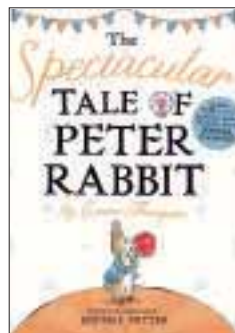


Children have long loved Emma Thompson's movies. Now, they can enjoy her stories. / NICK HADDOW

A new twist on an old classic

Actor turned author. Oscar winner Emma Thompson has written her third Peter Rabbit story.

Emma Thompson has done her fair share of children's storytelling through film. Now, she's exploring that passion through children's books. Thompson's latest project has been expanding Beatrix Potter's beloved Peter Rabbit stories. She started writing the stories a few years ago (they're "inspired by" the original stories), and her latest effort,



"The Spectacular Tale of Peter Rabbit," comes out Tuesday. In it, Peter and Benjamin Bunny take a trip to the fair, with plenty of hijinks ensuing. Thompson took some time to share a few thoughts about the world of Peter Rabbit.

Expert advice

What she thinks makes a great children's book

"A willingness to entertain the darkness in life. Obviously without making it too dark or too unpalatable, too close to what inevitably will be found out later in life. ... There are fears and there

are dangers that we all have to face. And I think [Potter] is absolutely wonderful at writing about that without scaring us too much, but just enough to make it completely delicious."

Why she likes the Peter Rabbit series

"I like his flawed qualities. I mean, he's naughty, but within reason, and it's the way in which he learns things. It's so enchanting. There's just nothing twee or whimsical about Peter Rabbit or any of those books. The writing is so beautiful and specific and muscular and full of fantastic words. I learned so much from it when I was growing up."

On why people write children's literature

"It seems to me, not to be too psychoanalytical about it, that many great children's writers write things for the age that they

were when they were wounded. It's a form of self-soothing and because it's absolutely necessary. Nobody writes unless they have to, because it's so hard to get it right. You have to address the part inside you that most needs to be heard."

Why she decided to write the books

"It's a continuation of [Potter]'s spirit, in some way, but it's really for Peter. He was the one who wrote to me. He wrote me a letter saying, 'Will you please write me another tale?' I'd never have done it if I'd been asked in a less imaginative way."



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Horoscope

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Meet up with someone you want to get to know better. Prepare to make big changes. It's likely you will be recommended for a promotion.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. You will come out on top if challenged. Not only will you be able to think fast, you will play a critical role in helping someone with a problem.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Engage in a heart-to-heart talk with someone you have an issue with. Be direct to avoid confusion.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. Persuasiveness will evade you today. Refrain from initiating a partnership. Equality will be difficult to maintain.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. Don't engage in discussions regarding assets. Your wit will be entertaining enough. Someone influential will have an effect on your future.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Go to great lengths to avoid disputes among your peers. You will ruin a chance for advancement if you take sides.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. An offhand remark will strain a relationship. Physical activity will keep you out of trouble. Unexpected delays will turn a happy experience into a headache.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Lending money or picking up the tab will not impress anyone. Pitfalls lie ahead if you fall prey to a scam artist.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Your best option will be listening to what's actually going on around you. Once you have information, you can make a choice.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. If you pace your actions, you will get a lot done. Don't hesitate to delegate tasks if you think you are falling behind. A solid effort will help to clinch the deal.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. You will have the power of persuasion, and a beneficial partnership is on the horizon. Keep some details secret.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Remove yourself from the bustle of routines, and put your worries aside. A day of relaxation will boost your spirits. **EUGENIA LAST**

Sudoku: Easy and hard

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How to play
Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Crossword

Across

- 1 "Star Trek" speed
- 5 Aarhus resident
- 9 Hobby knife (hyph.)
- 14 Wild disorder
- 15 Flush with
- 16 Broadcast again
- 17 Blockades
- 19 Come to terms
- 20 Born as
- 21 Dry as dust
- 22 "Broom Hilda" cartoonist
- 23 Swept away
- 25 Spunky movie princess
- 26 Visualize
- 27 River bed
- 30 Fishtails
- 33 Street lingo
- 34 Sentimental driveline
- 36 Difficult
- 37 Fewest
- 38 Hamster's digs
- 39 Lay low
- 40 Letter turner
- 41 Type of vinegar
- 42 Go nuts (2 wds.)
- 44 Legume
- 45 Disney CEO
- 46 Tuneful
- 50 — -de-lis
- 52 Beach scavenger
- 53 Coronado's quest
- 54 Express in words

Down

- 25 Tedious
- 57 Brings on board
- 58 Well-grounded
- 59 Antler prong
- 60 Sumptuous repast
- 61 Part of MIT
- 62 Take advice
- 1 Brown songbirds
- 2 "La Dolce Vita" actress
- 3 Like a judge
- 4 "Harper Valley —"
- 5 Longitude unit
- 6 Steer clear of
- 7 More than want
- 8 Naval off.
- 9 Radiology job (hyph.)
- 10 Cyclades locale
- 11 Singer Vikki —
- 12 Deadlocks
- 13 Vein contents
- 18 Road rallies
- 22 Was sincere
- 24 Pre-owned
- 25 Buddhist sacred city
- 27 Rattle
- 28 Hoople cry
- 29 Mezzanine
- 30 Library caution
- 31 Cougar's home
- 32 Karachi language
- 33 Hombre's address



- 35 Not 'neath
- 37 Weaker, as an excuse
- 38 Ta-ta in Turin
- 40 Foggiest
- 41 Quartet member
- 43 Reunion attendees
- 44 BB shot
- 46 Short-lived leptons
- 47 Herd orphan
- 48 Castle that danced
- 49 In secret writing
- 50 Pate de — gras
- 51 Milan money, once
- 52 Part of GTO
- 54 TV range
- 55 Air-pump meas.
- 56 Utmost

Yesterday's answer



Letters

Climate change is a natural cycle for Earth

Yes, there is climate change, global warming, global cooling or whatever they're calling it this week. It's called, in layman's terms, natural cycles. Since the Earth is not in a circular orbit around the sun, the distance changes cause climate changes. This has been so since the beginning of time, and when there were no man-made industries to influence nature. You should be thankful for this, because otherwise, North America would still be under a glacier and we would not be here to enjoy life as we do.

GORDON BROWN, VIA EMAIL

Traffic not an 'I will if you will' issue

Re: 'Pedestrians should follow the law before getting angry at cyclists' (Metro, Sept. 29) People who complain about cyclists are not trying to compare pedestrians' behavior. They are complaining about cyclists' reckless endangerment of both pedestrians and drivers. Comparing pedestrians' behavior with cyclists is like saying that you shouldn't stop robbing people because there are people who commit fraud.

ELIZABETH HENDERSON, VIA EMAIL

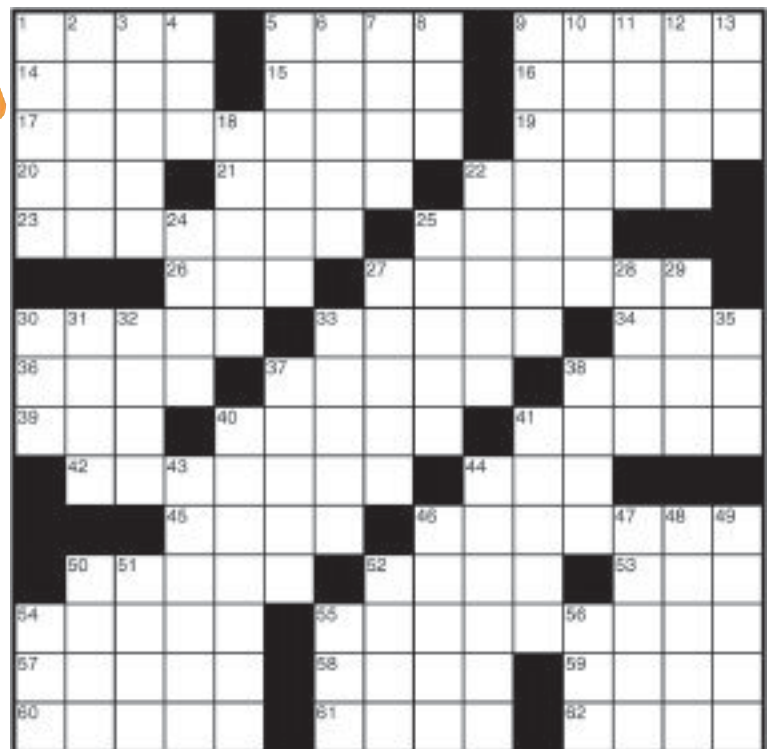
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Anthony talks patience with new Knicks

NBA. The Knicks held Media Day on Monday as they officially kicked off the 2014-15 season.

While star forward Carmelo Anthony said he's "enthusiastic" and "optimistic" for the upcoming season, he still wants everyone — from within the locker room and amongst the faithful — to practice patience while the Knicks' new-look roster and coaching staff figure things out.

"We remember how we felt like as a team [last season] and we don't want to feel that way again. I



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saw a lot of guys in the offseason and by working with them, you can see the mindset that it might be different," Anthony said. "But you still have to put that [effort] onto the basketball court. You still have to get better. It still requires some patience ... willing to be patient [for] how long, who knows? But it's still a process."

Anthony specifically mentioned the different "vibe" within the facilities now that Derek Fisher is the head coach. Fisher is an NBA champion and respected league-wide.

"Any time you have a new coach, you can just walk through the building and feel that renewed energy," Anthony said. "Right from the offseason, you could see everybody rejuvenated. Everybody wants to win. Everybody wants to do right [and] to do what it takes to make a team successful. ... We're all together. We're all on board."

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Carmelo Anthony had a quiet offseason after the "will he or won't he" drama of re-signing. / GETTY IMAGES

Quoted

"It's definitely a clean slate because there's nothing hanging over my head like a suspension or injury. Now, I can focus on being a better leader."

J.R. Smith, Knicks shooting guard, on his outlook for 2014-15 after struggling last season

NFL. Donnell turning into household name after breakout game

The Giants have had a few days to relish an emphatic thrashing of the Redskins, but no one enjoyed that game more than tight end Larry Donnell.

Once an afterthought, Donnell has emerged as the most consistent option quarterback Eli Manning has had this season.

"Coming into this season, he just didn't have a whole lot of game action, but he's doing well. I was hoping he would be able to play to this level [and] I was excited about the possibilities for him this year," Manning said. "He's played really well. We do a good job of moving him around and putting him in different spots [because] he creates some mismatches."

Donnell, who recorded seven catches for 54 yards and three touchdowns against the Redskins, said even he didn't fathom such a fast start.

"You set your goals

high, sure, but I didn't really expect it to come so quick," said Donnell, who was once a quarterback at Grambling State. "But it has come quickly and I just try to take advantage of all of the opportunities that I've had. It's going well. But like I said, I'm going to continue to work hard." **TONY WILLIAMS**



DONNELL WAS NOT EXPECTED TO BE AS IMPACTFUL IN THE PASSING GAME AS HE'S BEEN.

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You gotta believe

Ryan still backs Smith as starter

The Jets season may be slipping away from them, but head coach Rex Ryan won't waver on his starting quarterback, even when asked why he's sticking with Geno Smith.

"Because I believe in him," Ryan said Monday. "I believe that we're going to get it done and I believe that he's going to be one of the main reasons we get it done and get it turned."

Smith had two more turnovers Sunday in the Jets' third consecutive loss. Of passers to attempt 100 throws, only Tennessee's Jake Locker has a lower QB rating.

"There is no doubt I am hopeful [he's a franchise QB]," Ryan said. "He's got the skill set to be an outstanding quarterback. I think he has the toughness, the mental toughness, to do it." **METRO**

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Happy trails

Twins fire manager

The second-longest tenured manager in MLB is no more. The Twins fired manager Ron Gardenhire after 13 seasons on Monday. The Twins haven't been to the postseason the past four seasons after Gardenhire led them to October six times in his first nine seasons. He had just a 6-21 postseason record, though.

Yankees 2014 report card

The Yankees missed the playoffs for the second straight year — and the grades won't be kind. Metro delivers your end-of-season report card.

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The Yankees put a bow on their worst season since 1992 Sunday at Fenway Park.

The season will always be remembered for a player drafted in 1992, Derek Jeter, who called it quits after 20 seasons with the Yankees. But Jeter's fond farewell masked some of the tremendous issues the Yankees have going forward. They still have a lot of money locked up in players who broke down in 2014, like Mark Teixeira and CC Sabathia.

Metro grades the offense and pitching from a year which no one will forget — just not for the actual product on the field.

Brian McCann

It's hard to know what the Yankees were expecting when they signed McCann to a five-year, \$85 million deal.

Yankee fans were probably expecting more than a .232 average and .286 on-base percentage. But the 30-year-old had very similar numbers in Atlanta two years ago.

The real fear will be a couple years from now when his skills continue to erode. For now, he's a decent player to have behind the plate.

Grade: C+



MCCANN'S 23 HOME RUNS WERE THE MOST HE HAS HIT SINCE THE 2011 SEASON.

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Mark Teixeira

If the Yankees weren't expecting a shell of Teixeira's former self heading into the season, they know now he's essentially done as a productive player.

Teixeira batted just .216 with 22 home runs and his 0.9 WAR was less than half his previous season low (1.9 in 2007). In other words, he's barely better than a replacement level or bench player at this point in his career. And his once stellar defense has been hampered by injuries, too.

Grade: D

Brian Roberts

It's never a good sign when your starting second baseman on Opening Day can't even make it through the season without being designated for assignment.

It's even worse when the player you're designated for is Stephen Drew — who deserves his own permanent spot on the waiver wire.

Roberts wrapped up 91 games in New York with a .237 average and 21 extra base hits. Though to be fair, no one was expecting much.

Grade: D

Chase Headley

Headley got off to a good start in New York after being dealt by San Diego in July, and more or less was a productive addition for the remainder of the season.

He hit .262 with a .371 on-base percentage (highest of anyone on the team regardless of at-bats) and six home runs in 58 games. The Yankees will get Alex Rodriguez back, but re-signing Headley wouldn't be a bad decision.

Grade: B-

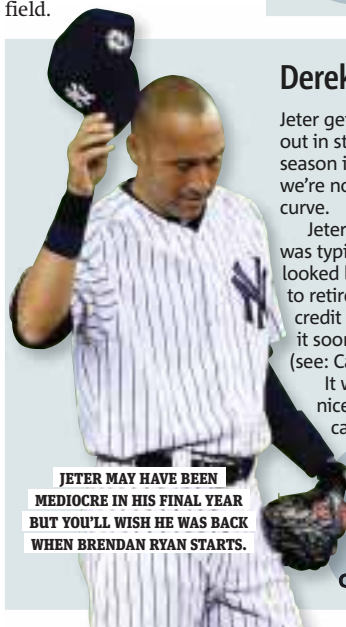
Derek Jeter

Jeter gets an A for going out in style in his final season in the Bronx. But we're not grading on a curve.

Jeter's last season was typical of many. He looked like he needed to retire. But give Jeter credit for realizing it sooner than most (see: Cal Ripken Jr.).

It was mostly just nice to see the captain healthy enough to play in 145 games after last year's disastrous, injury-plagued season.

Grade: C



JETER MAY HAVE BEEN MEDIOCRE IN HIS FINAL YEAR BUT YOU'LL WISH HE WAS BACK WHEN BRENDAN RYAN STARTS.

Brett Gardner

Gardner had a tremendous season, and it's no knock against him, but there's something wrong when he's the second-best player on your team.

The usually light-hitting left fielder batted .256, but he hit a career-high 17 home runs — more than twice his previous personal best. When someone asks you in a few years who had the highest slugging percentage on the Yankees in 2014, don't be embarrassed to answer Gardner. There's a reason they missed postseason.

Grade: B

Jacoby Ellsbury

Ellsbury will always be graded according to the massive \$153 million deal he signed before this season. And frankly, he'll never live up to it. Not when a rent-a-player like Nelson Cruz could be had for \$8 million and have a WAR of 4.7 compared to Ellsbury's 3.7.

But it's the Yankees' fault for paying that money, not Ellsbury's. His .271 average, 39 steals and 16 homers were solid. And he stayed healthy.

Grade: B

Ichiro Suzuki

It seems like Ichiro always gets pressed into service more than the Yankees expect. It happened again in 2014 with Alfonso Soriano a disaster and Carlos Beltran consistently injured.

He can't be a productive player over the course of 359 at-bats like he was five years ago, but his defense is still above average and his .284 batting average led regular players. He scored just five fewer runs than Jeter in 222 fewer at-bats. That may say more about Jeter, though.

Grade: C

Carlos Beltran

Those who chose Beltran over Ellsbury in the "Who will be a bigger injury disaster?" pool came up winners.

The 37-year-old looked like ... well ... a 37-year-old. It's almost shocking the Yankees didn't have access to his birth certificate when every other team in the league did.

It's hard to hate on a genuinely likable person, but there's no question he was a disaster as a player. You could've replaced his 0.3 WAR with a bag of balls. And for less than \$45 million.

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The pitchers ...

The Yankees' pitching staff was better than its hitters in 2014, but no one is free from blame.

• CC Sabathia

The biggest disaster of the whole season — and that's saying something — was Sabathia. He made just eight starts with a 5.28 ERA before calling it a season due to injury.

Grade: F

• Hiroki Kuroda

Kuroda was, absurdly, the only pitcher to qualify for

the ERA title. He was up and down, but hard to complain about 32 starts and a 3.71 ERA.

Grade: B

• Masahiro Tanaka

It all started off so well. Tanaka came firing out of the gate only to suffer a partially torn elbow at midseason. His brief return only left questions.

Grade: C+

• Michael Pineda

With or without pine

tar, he was pretty good when pitching. But like Tanaka, he was too often sidelined.

Grade: C-

• Dellin Betances

The best pitcher on the Yankees this year was their All-Star setup man.

Grade: A+

• David Robertson

The Yankees didn't miss Mariano Rivera much.

Grade: B+



SABATHIA'S FUTURE IS VERY MUCH IN DOUBT DUE TO INJURY.

Girardi faces early A-Rod questions

MLB. Yankees not willing to commit to the returning Alex Rodriguez starting.

For the second straight season, Joe Girardi conducted a press conference to reflect on the season before 10 other teams began the postseason.

To ensure that Girardi doesn't face the same situation three years in a row, the Yankees will have to figure out how to fill the holes they currently have. The obvious



The Yankees are taking a wait-and-see approach with Rodriguez. / GETTY IMAGES

one is at shortstop, but there is also uncertainty surrounding Mark Teixeira and the return of Alex Rodriguez from a one-year suspension.

"We got to see where he's at," Girardi said. "I think that's the thing that we have to do. He's going to be 40 next summer and we have to see where he's physically at and if he can play the field, how many days he can play the field and how many days he needs to DH."

But Girardi is maintaining an optimistic tone, especially as it per-

tains to a rotation that has Masahiro Tanaka, CC Sabathia and Ivan Nova coming off injuries.

"I look around and say we have a lot of good pieces, we do," Girardi said. "Obviously when you look at your rotation a little bit, there's some guys coming back from injury but we expect them back and we expect them to be competitive and you saw some guys come up and throw the ball well."

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David Robertson was as seamless as anyone could be replacing Mariano Rivera as he converted 39 saves, with a 3.08 ERA and 96 strikeouts in 64 1/3 innings. But Girardi didn't commit to re-signing the free agent.

- "I'm very fond of Robby and what he's done here," Girardi said. "But Robby's approaching a situation in his career that a lot of players look forward to."



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